



### 2022/2023



Serving our communities

LIONS - Together we can change the world

We exist to promote, foster and fund research and education into the prevention, detection and cure of disease.

Through our Work we strengthen communities, enhance people's quality of living, create positive interactions and foster health and wellbeing





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Lions Medical Research Foundation Inc. (Lions C District) is a not-for-profit entity and charitable organisation which is endorsed by ATO as an Income Tax Exempt entity and registered as a Deductible Gift Recipient with the Australian Charities Commission (ACNC)

#### **GOVERNANCE**



Patron: Her Excellency the Honourable Francis Adamson AC, Governor of South Australia

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Chairman: Dr Phillip Donato OAM OSI (Elected member C1)

Vic Chairman: Dr Ainslie Derrick-Roberts PhD (Elected member C1)

Secretary: Lion Dorothy Marschall RN (Elected member C1)

Treasurer: Rick Basheer (Accountant) (appointed member)

Director: PDG Bryan Hearn OAM JP (Elected member C2)

Director: PDG Tom Kimber (Elected member C2)

Director: Amanda Stoch (Legal) (Appointed member)

Director: 2 VDG C2 Simon Westwood (Elected member C2)

Director: Ms Charlie Helen Robinson (Comm) (Appointed member)

#### LIONS MEDICAL RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Chair: Dr Ainsley Derrick-Roberts PhD

Dr Phillip Donato OAM OSI

#### LMRF SKIN CANCER SCREENING COMMITTEE

Chair: PDG Bryan Hearn OAM JP

Treasurer: Graeme Pascoe OAM

Secretary: Lion Linda Sullivan

Screening Coordinator: Lion Dorothy Marschall

C2 Club Coordinator: Lion Peter Rawlins
C1 Club Coordinator: Lion Ian Marschall



On behalf of the Board of Trustees it gives me great pleasure to provide the Annual Report of the Lions Medical Research Foundation Inc (LMRF) for the year ending June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The LMRF proudly remains a joint initiative of the Lions 201C1 and 201C2 Districts.

As a volunteer-based Lions organisation, we promote and fund research and education into the prevention and management of disease via research funding and skin cancer screening. Through our work, we enhance better health, quality of living and strengthen communities.

Our quest is to pursue that meaningful search for further research towards preventative health and education as millions of men and women worldwide die or have their quality of life curtailed because of conditions that are for the most part, significantly preventable.

Our research funding activities this year, has again seen the Foundation work with SA Universities and research centres. Collaborative research with the University of South Australia continues with the sponsoring of the LMRF Visiting Research Fellows with our first Residency for Professor My Mahoney from the USA who undertakes research in the areas of Melanoma and Diabetes and secondly, Professor Roianne West, from the NT, Australia's first Professor of Indigenous Health. Her research is in improving maternal and infant healthcare for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

We are pleased to report that our current PhD grant recipient at Adelaide University - Ms Emma Cheney continues to excel in all her endeavours. Emma's research specifically deals with Multiple Myeloma a common bone marrow cancer. Her awards and achievements to date have been many. Our thanks to Dr Ainslie Derrick Roberts PhD who chairs this committee, for her coordination, work and support in this area.

Skin cancer screenings has seen a very busy year, with screenings most weekends. Training remains with the Health Certificate programs via Bond University. As always, we wish to recognise and thank the screeners, drivers, and support staff for giving up so much of their time and skills to support the project. Recipients of the screening remain both grateful and impressed with the project. Results remain consistent with 20+% of those screened having identified possible skin cancer lesions detected and thus referred for follow up. PDG Bryan Hearn OAM and the committee need to be applauded through the past year where some significant reviews of processes and procedures have occurred.

#### Governance Matters

The Foundation continues in its strategic development with further strengthening of its constitution, processes, and procedures. It becomes incumbent for all boards in the not-for-profit sector to remain relevant and contemporary and be values; purpose; and skilled based in its governance and operations. Last year via constitutional changes, we were able to engage three additional skills-based Directors.

The Foundation appointed: Mr Rick Basheer Partner and Senior Business Advisor at Bentleys Accountants. Rick specialises in tax and financial management advice. Lawyer Amanda Storch is a Partner with Carmel Riordan Lawyers; she specialises in corporate and constitutional legal matters.

#### Financial matters

I am pleased to report that The Foundation returned a small surplus and that its finances remain very stable. Contributions from member clubs and other sources continued and were gratefully received. Our surplus funds remain conservatively invested additionally accruing dividends and interest. These funds are well managed by our investment advisors. Trustees always follow a sensible path towards meeting our obligations.

#### **Directors**

During this past financial year, we received two new elected directors; Mrs Dot Marschall (C1) and Mr Simon Westwood (C2). Both Dot and Simon have also joined the screening committee and demonstrated to be invaluable to the activities of The Foundation. Mrs Dot Marschall has also taken on the Secretary role with absolute dedication and commitment.

Our gracious thanks to our outgoing trustees PDG Michael Millar OAM (Past Treasurer), and Ms Carol Barnes (Secretary) Much appreciation goes to all trustees: Their commitment, effort and dedication have been extraordinary.

#### **Further Thanks**

I express my thanks to LMRF Past Treasurer Graeme Pascoe OAM past treasurer who continues to provide much needed advice as Committee advisors. Our appreciation to our screening partners - Lions Cancer Institute (WA) via Phil Chinnery, and the Victorian Districts Foundation and Bruce Hudgson for all their assistance.

In Conclusion I thank all Lions members and member clubs of Lions Districts C1 and C2 for their ongoing participation and support of our Foundation and the works and projects undertaken on your behalf and for the betterment of our collective communities. Yours in Lions

#### Lion Dr Phillip Donato OAM OSI

Chairman

Lions Medical Research Foundation Inc SA. 04/08/2023



The Foundation was able to maintain a strong financial position in what is becoming an increasingly difficult fundraising environment.

This was evident with a decline in donations received during the year. Pleasingly, donations received at the Cancer Screening Project sites remained strong and is reflective of the value this project brings to the participants and communities. Thank you to all involved with the screening teams who help make this possible.

During the year, the Foundation continued to support education and research by way of University of Adelaide scholarship grants. We were also able to provide sponsorship to SAHMRI, including sponsorship of its Executive Director's Award, which was presented by Phillip Donato in December.

The support provided by the Lions Clubs is greatly appreciated and helps in no small part to make this possible.

In my first year as Treasurer, thank you to Mick Miller OAM for all of his work in this role over recent years. Also, my thanks go to the Foundation Board for welcoming me and to Graeme Pascoe OAM for the assistance he has provided during my short time as Treasurer.

#### REASEARCH CHAIR'S REPORT

Our research activities this year have seen the Foundation working alongside SA Universities and SAHMRI. This year the Lions Medical Research Foundation was a sponsor of the Executive Director's Award at the Annual 'SAHMRI End of Year Awards.' This is in support of our research outreach. The Foundation also supported the SAHMRI Cardiovascular SA Showcase, a forum for the state's leading heart health researchers, and important engagement in education and visibility of the Foundation. It was the first-time cardiovascular experts from SAHMRI, University of SA, Flinders University and the Basil Hetzel Institute have come together to present and discuss the latest research in the field since the last showcase was held in 2018.

Our PhD scholar, Emma Cheney is in the second year of her PhD Scholarship fully funded by the Lions Medical Research Foundation. Her PhD research focuses on investigating the role of various cells and key components of the tumour environment in the development and progression of myeloma, with the ultimate goal of improving myeloma patient survival outcomes and their quality of life.

Another new initiative the Foundation has been involved with is the travelling Research Fellowships offered in partnership with the University of South Australia. This year we welcomed the second sponsored Fellow Professor Roianne West, a leader in Indigenous Heath and Nursing who will be a key insight into progressing the skin cancer screening project

particularly in remote areas.

The Foundation is very keen to grow and further develop the resources at its disposal so that more Lions Research Scholarships and Research Fellowships can be awarded to the very best PhD researchers and visiting experts in their fields to strengthen collaboration, learning and skills. The ongoing support of Lions from Districts C1 & C2 as well as public donations and bequests will enable it to continue to achieve its aims and continue to support the talented researchers to help become the future.

Research Chair

Dr Ainslie Derrick-Roberts PhD

#### SKIN CANCER SCREENING COMMITTEE REPORT

The 2023 screening program was without doubt the most ambitious undertaken to date by the screening team. Commencing in February with the final screening scheduled for December it was planned to deliver 27 Lions Club hosted skin cancer screenings. These were generally 2-day screenings over a weekend. The program was extended by screening teams also attending for half a day at a number of "fun runs" including the City to Bay as well as some mid-week one day "corporate" screenings hosted by individual companies.

The new approach to planning, managing and administering the program proved to be very successful with all screeners and other team members reporting total satisfaction with the outcomes. This was also reflected in the extremely complimentary reports received from hosting Lions Clubs and others.

With the much larger screening program the need has arisen for additional screeners to enable the program to continue to be delivered at its current high level of competency. No previous medical knowledge is required but it is certainly a benefit. All training is paid for by the Foundation subject to the participant signing a contract agreeing to certain availability conditions.

By mid-October 2023 a total of 3314 screenings had been delivered with 673 referrals made for further examination (20.31%).

A further 5 screenings are booked for the remainder of the year including attendance at the C2 District Convention along with a special screening arranged in conjunction with ICON, the cancer specialists on North East Road, Windsor Gardens where staff are conducting a large raffle with all proceeds being donated to the skin cancer screening program.

I must express my sincere thanks to all the members of the skin cancer screening team all of whom have been exemplary in the manner they have conducted themselves throughout the year. My thanks also to all the hosting Lions Clubs all of whom have supported the visiting screening teams in the most hospitable way possible. It's been a great team effort all round.

Thanks also to all those Lions Clubs that have financially supported the program with cash donations. It's these funds that keep the program operational. Thanks also to the Board of the Lions Medical Research Foundation for their support and finally my thanks to all members of the skin cancer subcommittee who

have supported both me and the administration of the program throughout the year.

PDG Bryan Hearn OAM JP Chair, Skin Cancer Screening Sub committee

# LIONS MEDICAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION INC.

AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

## LIONS MEDICAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION INC. INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

	2023	2022
INCOME	\$	\$
Donations		
Medical Research Screening	20039 58176	37702 87706
Interest, dividends, distributions		
Medical Research Screening	98757 10363	55763 5591
Other income	2500	0
TOTAL INCOME	189835	186762
LESS EXPENDITURE		
Scholarships	35000	50000
Health promotions Skin cancer screening	0 84257	2500 74755
Investment management	7613	7978
Administration	13761	13688
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	140631	148921
NET SURPLUS BEFORE CHANGE IN MARKET VALUE OF		
INVESTMENTS FOR THE YEAR	49204	37841
INCREASE/-DECREASE IN MARKET VALUE OF INVESTMENTS		
Medical Research	-23490	111522
Screening	-1317	-380
TOTAL CHANGE IN VALUE	-24807	111142
NET SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	24397	148983

This income & expenditure statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes to and forming part of the financial statements.

## LIONS MEDICAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION INC. BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 JUNE 2023

	2023	2022
CURRENT ASSETS	\$	\$
Cash at bank North No. 1 cash account – Medical Research North No. 2 cash account – Screening Other debtors GST refundable	93,291 67,024 3,383 0 1,625	158,724 33,168 3,354 8,147 1,738
TOTAL ASSETS	165,323	205,131
INVESTMENTS (at cost)		
North No. 1 – Medical Research At cost Increase in market value North No. 2 – Screenings At cost Increase in market value	1,127,127 -57,381 122,305 -5,553	924,151 111,522 108,680 -380
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	1,186,498	1,143,973
TOTAL ASSETS	1,351,821	1,349,104
CURRENT LIABILITES		
Scholarship – Adelaide University Tele marketing fee	20,000 0	35,000 6,680
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITES	20,000	41,680
NET ASSETS	1,331,821	1,307,424
ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
Accumulated surplus brought forward Surplus for the year	1,307,424 24,397	1,158,441 148,983
TOTAL FUNDS AT YEAR END	1,331,821	1,307,424

This balance sheet should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes to and forming part of the financial statements.

### LIONS MEDICAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION INC. NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

#### NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Basis of accounting**

This special purpose financial report has been prepared for distribution to members and the board of Lions Medical Research Foundation Inc. for internal management purposes. The accounting policies used in the preparation of this report, as described below, are, in the opinion of the board, appropriate to meet the needs of members and the board.

The financial report has been prepared on an accrual basis of accounting including historical cost convention and going concern assumption.

The requirement of Australian Accounting Standards and other professional reporting requirements in Australia do not have mandatory applicability to Lions Medical Research Foundation Inc. in relation to the year ended 30 June 2023 because it is not a reporting entity.

#### LIONS MEDICAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION INC.

#### STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

In the opinion of the Board of Management

- 1. The statement of income & expenditure is drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the surplus of the Foundation for the 12 months ended 30 June 2023.
- 2. The balance sheet is drawn up so as to give a true and fair view for the affairs of the Foundation as at 30 June 2023.
- 3. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Foundation will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

P R Donato

Chairman, Board of Management

Adelaide

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF LIONS MEDICAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION INC.

#### Independence

In conducting my audit, I have complied with the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

#### **Audit Qualification**

As in common for organisations of this type, it is not practicable for the management committee to maintain an effective system of internal control over receipts until their initial entry in the accounting records. Accordingly, my audit in relation to receipts was limited to the amounts recorded.

#### **Auditor's Opinion**

In my opinion, the financial report of the Lions Medical Research Foundation Inc. presents fairly, in all material respects the financial position of the Lions Medical Research Foundation Inc. as of 30 June 2023 and of its financial performance for the year then ended.



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Dated this 22nd day of September 2023



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Simon Westwood 1 VDG 201 C2



PDG Tom Kimber 201 C2



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Communications

#### DONATIONS TO LMRF FROM LIONS' CLUBS

#### District 201 C1

Aberfoyle Litchfield

Adelaide Italian Marion Bay

Barmera McLaren District

Battunga Country Modbury
Broken Hill Moonta
Burnside Morgan

Clare Mount Barker
Cowell Murray Bridge

**Paralowie** 

#### District 201 C2

Edwardstown Port Augusta

Gawler Robe
Gillies Plains Seaford

Golden Grove Tailem Bend

Hahndorf Victor Harbour Port Elliot
Hallet Cove Western Kangaroo Island

Kangaroo Island Willunga

#### **UNIT VISTS**

Lions Skin Screening Unit was privilege to visit the following communities in South Australia, Victoria and New South Wales in 2023 with three corporate screenings in Adelaide.

West Beach Jamestown Tailem bend

Booleroo Centre Maitland Adelaide Italian

Gawler Clare Broken Hill

Kangaroo Island Victor Harbour Robe

Penola Gladstone Tumby Bay
Cummins Wudinna Whyalla
Glenside Murray Bridge Irymple
Henley beach Buronga Gol Gol Bute

Wallaroo Lameroo Gillies Plains



Guest Professor May Mahoney (USA) LMRF visiting Research Fellow collaborating with UniSA with Melanoma research and diabetes's.



Screeners Maggie Graham, Chris Lowings, and Dot Marschall with administration Vanessa Malycha & truck driver Ian Marschall



### **Awards**

### Dr Robert Cooter AM Recognition Awards.

No	Name	Dist	No	Name	Dist
001	Prospect Blair Athol Lions Club	C1	002	Robert Dewell OAM LMRF	C2
003	Noel O'Brien	C1	004	Marilyn Millar OAM	C2
005	Graeme Pascoe OAM	C1	006	Rhys Roberts OAM	C2
007	Phillip Donato OAM	C1	800	Hieu Van Le AC	
009	TBA		010	TBA	
011	Tony Siciliano	C2	012	Lorraine McDonnell	C2
013	Robert Winter	C2	014	Richmond Lions Club	C1
015	Deb Millar	C2	016	Margaret Ramsay	C1
017	Roger Searle	C2	018	Trevor Phillips	C2
019	Annette Slater	C1	020	John Nagel	C2
021	PDG Peter Sparnon	C2	022	Daphne McWhinnie	C1
023	Michael Fogden	C2	024	Lyn Sparnon	C2
025	Noellene Rawlins	C2	026	Petra Ashton	C2
027	Josie Radford	C2	028	Carol Barnes	C1
029	Dean Hewlett	C2	030	Christine Haar	C2
031	Robert Kreig	C1	032	Craig Harris	C2
033	Heather Holmes	C2	034	Christopher Ashton	C2







### Servicing our communities



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